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The Honorable Anne Quinlan **Acting Secretary Surface Transportation Board** 395 E Street, SW Washington, DC 20423

> STB Docket No. AB-33 (Sub-No. 278X)--Abandonment of the McHenry Industrial Lead, from Milepost 21.25 to Milepost 26.43 in San Joaquin and Stanislaus Counties, California

Dear Secretary Quinlan:

This will respond to the July 8, 2009 letter submitted by Stanislaus County and the July 21, 2009 letter submitted by the City of Modesto in the above-referenced matter. Union Pacific Railroad Company is willing to negotiate with Stanislaus County and the City of Modesto, for a period of 180 days following the effective date of the abandonment, regarding a possible acquisition of the McHenry Industrial Lead for trail use or public use.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely.

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David Leamon (Stanislaus County) cc (via first class mail):

Julie G. Hannon (City of Modesto)